

The Center for Education, Imagination and the Natural World
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Nurturing A Sense of Wonder

A Program for Parents and Pre-K through 2nd Grade Educators

Led by Sandy Bisdee

Saturday, March 20, 2010

10:00 am to 4:00 pm (**Please bring a bag lunch**)

Place: Walnut Creek Wetland Center

950 Peterson Street

Raleigh, NC 27610

Limited to 15 (with a wait list)

Fee: \$15

We will begin our day by exploring the growing separation between the child and the natural world and the consequences of this separation for the healthy development of the human child. Following our dialogue, we will shift our attention to nurturing our own inborn sense of wonder. How do we nurture a sense of wonder amidst the hustle and bustle of our everyday world? How can we bring the natural world inside our homes, centers and classrooms through storytelling, hands-on materials and games? We will end our day outdoors, engaging in sensory practices that will awaken us (and the children we serve) to the wonder, beauty and intimacy of the natural world. These are practices developed at the Center for Education, Imagination and the Natural World that can be experienced in any setting.

Sandy Bisdee, Naturalist/Educator at the Center, completed her Association Montessori International Teaching Certificate in 1979. She brings over twenty-five years of experience as an educator of young children to her work at the Center. A gifted storyteller and musician, Sandy has engaged in a deep study of Native American perspectives. She has completed both "The Inner Life of the Child in Nature: Presence and Practice" program at CEINW and the North Carolina Environmental Education Certification Program.

To reserve a place, please send this form and a check for **\$15** (payable to CEINW) by **March 10, 2010** to:

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Name: _____ E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Ages of children you serve: _____ Educational Context: _____

Home Address:

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____